

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

NOMURA et al Atty. Ref.: 159-83; Confirmation No.

Appl. No. To be Assigned Group:

Filed: January 16, 2004 Examiner:

For: ANTIBACTERIAL COMPOSITION FOR TOPICAL ADMINISTRATION
CONTAINING ANTIBIOTIC

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January 16, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for
examination, please amend the application as follows: